WEDNESDAY APRIL 1, 1874

The Currency and the "Gradgrinds." The temper of the United States Senate, as shown in the votes of that body on the currency, is plainly opposed to curtailment and to fixing an early period for the resumption of specie payments. The House has been long known to be for a limited and proper increase of the paper medium of the country, and decidedly opposed to any stringent measures looking to an early resumption.

General Assembly shall designate An other cases whose election or appointment is not provided for whose elections are appointed, as the General Assembly of the constitution, and all offi

The "Gradgrinds" and money rings of the large cities, who are afraid that any liberal financial measures will set the people at greatly agitated at the contemplation of the "situation" in Congress. They are railing bitterly against "inflation," as they choose to style the proposed very limited increase of the greenback circulation, and they predict general ruin as the consequence. It is very becoming of a actly what the Appeal says "no man of any class of men whose financial strategies have intelligence or information" thinks could be filled the land with distress and ruined done. We quote again from the Appeal: filled the land with distress and ruined thousands of men, to predict ruin if their financial notions are not adopted! The people-have been long enough subjected to periodical calamity by being left at the mercy of these speculators, and they are willing to take their chances for being ruined by an act giving something of freedom from their toils.

Like all beings that have enjoyed the privilege of preying upon others, the shavers and the bulls and bears are in a rage at the prospect of losing their privilege. In their

prospect of losing their privilege. In their anger they have the impudence to address both appeals and threats to the President. They tell him that he will be obliged to veto any bill for inflating the currency. They will gain by doing so. They tell him, finally, that if he signs such a bill he will sacrifice himself now and be damned in all history.

This is the most impudent thing of the age. It shows how rejuctant are men to part with advantages however unfair. In time, such advantages are looked upon as prescriptive rights, and the greater the gains from them the greater the irritation at part- That device won't answer. That point has ing with them.

President GRANT has one great virtue, and that is firmness. He can't be excited, and he will look upon the threats of the "Gradgrinds" as a mere "fiasco," to quote this word used by him on a memorable, occasion. He will do what he chooses in the matter, unaffected by the storm of the "Gradgrinds." The bill that will likely be passed by Congress cannot merit the term "inflation." The amount of increase will be small compared with the amount of currency affoat. The absorption of the increasewill be governed by such healthy regulations that it cannot be strained to the degree of public injury. The paper system is too firmly based to be impaired. With such a currency there is no danger of expanding loans outside of the limit of solvency and legitimate trade. The "bard-money" men speak of the paper system as though it was the same with the old State Bank and wildcat system. The difficuity with that was to make it good, while the law in 1874-not in 1868. the present paper system cannot be made bad. This distinction should never be forgotten in financial discussions.

If the liberal measure advocated by Mor-TON, LOGAN, GORDON, KELLEY, FERRY OF Michigan, Beck, and others prevails, we have no apprehension that General GRANT will veto it. He can have no constitutional scruples about it, and he will have too much respect for the wishes and opinions of threefourths of the people of the United States to

last hope-that of overruling General Grant | The words in italics are all the words that the veto. It is quite impudent in them to before us is concerned. "The authorities" endeavor thus to overawe the President in the of a city are the mayor and its council-not who have been previously sentenced for a may do, we cannot say; but of this we are eertain: he will not be intimidated by the empty thunder of the "money changers."

That Worderful Charter-Again. We promised to notice the Appeal's argu- intention.] ments in favor of the new charter. We

The Dispatch's article of the 26th is based on the theory that the new charter would abridge or take away the rights, duties, and powers of certain officers who, by the Constitution of Virginia, are required to be elected by the people. This is

It makes no difference whether the officers are elected by the people or not. If the Conusually pertaining to their offices. Again: The Appeal says:

But neither of these can have any application to But neither of these can have any application to the proposed reform charter of this city. Nothing in a proposed to abridge, withhold, or impair the rights, powers, and duties of any of the officers required by the Constitution to be elected by the people. Nor does the case put by the Dispatch about the Governor of Virginia apply. He is by the Constitution made an officer elective by the people, and his powers and duties are defined by that instrument. No one supposes that the Legislature can abridge them or take them away by any effort of legislation.

"Elected by the people," again? Leave out that qualification, and you cannot make your point.

"No one supposes that the Legislature can abridge the powers and duties of the Governor or take them away." Ah? Why not? "Because by the Constitution he is made an officer elective by the people, and strument." Now, this is just what the Constitution does as to the mayor of every city. He is declared to be "the chief executive officer" of the city just as "the chief executive power" of the State is vested in the Governor. In the name of logic, why can on a court and be unable to confer the Governor's on a court? The Constitution gives the mayor the power to remove all city officers. The new charter conferred upon a judge and a board made by the same judge the power to remove various city officers. Was that constitutional? Then, why cannot the Legislature confer upon Judge Moncure the powers to veto bills, commission State officers, and remit fines and penalties, which powers the Constitution gives only to the

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So also as to the Dispatch's supposed case about the Mayor of Richmond. He, too, is by the Constitution made elective by the people, and his powers are defined with unusual care for the compact limits of the law organic. No man of any intelligence or information thinks that the Legislature of Virginia could abridge those functions, or would endeavor to abridge them. But in the case of the Petersburg charter no power of admissiration is proposed to to acrioge them. But in the case of the retersourg charter no power of administration is proposed to be conferred on the Board of Commissioners which is constitutionally conferred on the Mayor of the city. Was the Disputch cognizant of this fact? Has it, indeed, ever read the proposed new city chester?

Now, that's good doctrine. The only ques- you alone. tion to be decided is whether the new charter conferred on any other officer, or man, or the Private Land Claims Committee of the set of men, powers which are "constitution- House in behalf of Mrs. Gaines in certain ally conferred upon the mayor?" Let us | land claims in Louisiana,

Article VI. section 20. There shall be caseen by the electors of every city a mayor, who shall be the chief executive officer thereof. and who shall see that the duties of the various city officers are faithfully performed. * He shall also have hower to suspend or remove the officers, whether they be elected or appointed for misconduct in office or neglect of duty. * All city, town, and village officers, whose election or appointment is not provided for by this Constitution, shall be elected by the electors of such cities, towns and villages, or of some diotsion thereof, or appointed by such authorities thereof as the General Assembly shall designate All officer officers whose election or appointment is not provided cers whose election or appointment is not provided.

He shall have power to suspend or remove the various city officers, whether they be elected or appointed. Now what says the

this act, for mattensance, management of official duty, or for gross incompetency; such removal to be deemed a vacation of the office. Where such vacancy occurs the same s inge of the sald court until the next general elec-

So it seems this charter proposed to do ex-

It is too bad to assert that the members, of the Legislature were such asses as to pass the charter bill in the form in which they did if they had the power to do away with beg him to do so. They tell him what he the common council itself. Upon what possible idea could that charter have been framed except upon the theory that the Constitution recognizes common councils as the bodies which must govern all cities, and they could not be done away with? Why authorize a board of municipal commissioners to dominate the council if the coun- tion of sheep, was taken up and read the cil could have been swept out of the way? second time.

> been settled by the action of the Legislature. We tell the Appeal that under the Constitution the Legislature cannot take away from any city any officer or authorities which the Constitution recognizes or provides for. The Legislature cannot repeal a city's charter as to these officials. Formerly it could; but that was because the Consti- made the order for the same day and hour. tution itself made no provision for the govprovides for certain officers for all cities and towns containing five thousand inhabitants, and the Legislature can no more deprive those cities and towns of those officers than it can deprive the State of its Governor, or the counties of their officers. All such city officers would if the city's charter were repealed hold on to their offices under the provision of the Constitution which declares that all officers shall continue to discharge the duties of their offices "after their terms of service have expired until their successors have qualified." This last we lay down as

We quote from the Appeal again: After enumerating what officers shall be elected by the people—to wit: Commonwealth's Attorney, City Sergeant, Treasurer, Commissioner of the Revenue, Mayor, and Clerk (these are all)—the VI. Revenue, Mayor, and Clerk (these are all)—the VI. article of the Constitution provides that all other officers, &c., shall be elected by the people or appointed, as the General Assembly may direct. Now why may not the Legislature direct that a board may be appointed with powers of appointment as to Collector of City Taxes, Commissioner of Streets, Superintenaent of the Water-works. City Engineer, Police Justice, policemen, and officers of the fire department—none of which officers or offices are recognized in any way by the Constitution?

For the reason already given-that it is the veto a measure so much needed, so earnestly province of the common council to do all these things. But the Constitution contains sale. Referred to the Committee on General It is gratifying to see the Gradgrinds and no such provision as the Appeal supposes it Laws. gold and stock gamblers retreating to the does. We have quoted its language above. sentence commencing "all other officers" means of course all other than city or town officers—that is, State, county, and township 117 of the Code of Virginia, edition of 1873, means of course all other than city or town

provision, but we think that is its evident Finally: The charter and the Appears Passed December 11th, 1855. arguments are based upon the erroneous idea that the Legislature can confer upon a new officer the functions usually belonging to an officer named in the Constitution if the Constitution itself does not define those functions. This is a gross error, as we can prove in a moment. The Constitution prostitution provides for such officers, the Legis- vides "for each circuit a circuit judge." It lature cannot take from them the powers does not define the duties of the circuit judges, but leaves that duty to the Legislature. Now will any sane man contend that the in the chair. Legislature could appoint "judicial commissiquers" in every circuit to perform a part of the duties by custom entrusted to the

> BRUTUM FULMEN .- The papers quote the Lexington Gazette as the author of the following threat :

circuit judges? No indeed. And no more

can the Legislature do what it undertook to

do when it passed the Petersburg charter

"It is one of the easiest matters in the world to set up a new State of the Valley. "Congress will be willing. The voters (a

majority) will consent. "The solid Republican vote will be cast for it, because they will then have a better his powers and duties are defined by that in- show in Virginia. A small Valley vote, with the entire Republican strength, does the work."

Article IV., section 3, of the Federal Constitution, says:

"No new State shall be formed or erected within the jurisdiction of any other State, nor any State be formed by the junction of the Legislature confer the mayor's powers two or more States, or parts of States, without the consent of the Legislatures of the States concerned, as well as of the Congress."

The vote in 1869 was as follows: East of the Blue Ridge...... 177.027

West of the Blue Ridge..... 43,622 Two-thirds of the Valley would blast the public man who should dare to propose a division of the State, and two-thirds of the other third would vote against such a proposition. So the vote on dividing the State would stand about as follows: For a division....

Against a division..... 214,000

If the other papers of the State would consent to let the matter stay dead and buried, the Index-Appeal certainly, and we doubt not our neighbor also, would be willing to preserve the truce until due notice was given of its intended cessation.-Petersburg Appeal.

Now, don't copy any more Donn-Piatt for every hundred pounds in excess of 1,500 articles on the subject, and we'll perhaps let | pounds so sold, to be paid by the commis-

Messrs. Foote and Paschal argued before

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BENATE. The Lieutenant Governor in the rayer by Rev. Samuel Moorman. PROM COMMITTEES.

General Assembly of Virginia.

Mr. THOMAS, from the Committee on Finance, reported; without amendment, Senate bill for the relief of the sureties of A. Modisett, late treasurer of Page county Also, without amendment, Senate bill regulating the sale of ardent spirits in the town of Chase City, of Mecklenburg county. MOBNING BOLL CALL.

Mr. QUESENBERRY offered the following resolution: Resolved, That the resolution adopted by the Senate on the 30th March be rescind-

ed, and that the following be substituted in lieu thereof: That upon the assembling of the Senate the clerk shall call the roll o senators, and that the clerk be requested to furnish such of the papers as may desire it, the result."

Mr. Allan moved to amend the resolution by striking out all after the word "rescinded." Agreed to-ayes, 19; noes, 9. The resolution was then adopted. So

there is to be no morning roll-call. RESIGNATION OF JUDGE MAHOOD. The PRESIDENT laid before the Senate a communication from the Governor enclosing the resignation of A. Mahood, judge of the fourteenth judicial circuit, to take effect on

the 1st of April, 1874. Laid on the table. PRESENTED AND REFERBED. By Mr. Lawson: Bill to amend and reenact section 3 of an act entitled "an act to incorporate the Pittsylvania and Patrick Eall coad Company," approved March 30,

By Mr. HERNDON: Bill to incorporate the Ladies' Memorial Association of Fredericks-

By Mr. GRIMSLEY: Bill to amend and re enact section 8 of chapter 146 of the Code of 1873, in reference to limitations of actions. PASSED.

Senate bill to provide fer the registration of bonds issued by local authorities in aid of internal improvement.

Senste bill making additional appropriaions (\$2,500) to the Central Lunatic Asylum upon certain conditions -ayes, 23; noes, 1. Senate bill to incorporate the Alleghany Improvement Company.

Senate bill in relation to the public roads of Nelson county. DEFEAT OF THE DOG TAX.

Senate bill imposing a tax by the State on dogs according to value, and for the protec-

Mr. PRIDEDMORE moved that it be indefinitely postponed. Agreed to-ayes, 19;

LUNATIC ASYLUMS. Senate bill making additional appropria tions to the Eastern Lunatic Asylum was made the order of the day for Thursday at 12 o'clock.

Senate bill to provide for the establishment of the Southern Lunatic Asylum was NO QUOBUM. At 1:30 Mr. PRIDEMORE moved that the

Senate adjourn, as he observed that there was no quorum present. After some discussion the motion was withdrawn. CHESAPEARE AND OHIO CANAL COMPANY. Mr. THOMAS, from the select joint commit-

tee appointed to inquire and report as to the claims against the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company and fees paid to counsel for services in that behalf, presented a report which on his motion was ordered to be LICENSE TAX ON OWNERS OF DOGS.

Senate bill to allow the supervisors or the people of any county by a vote to impose a license tax on owners of dogs for the privilege of keeping the same and for the protection of sheep in the Commonwealth was "indefinitely postponed"-ayes, 22; noes, 7: absent, 14 senators.

COCKE AND COLLIER. Senate bill for the relief of Cocke & Collier and Lorenzo D. Collier, of Carroll county, was taken up, on motion of Mr. Nowlin. Being put upon its passage, it was rejected for want of a constitutional majority-[22 votes]-ayes, 13; noes, 9; absent,

WESTERN TOBACCO. Mr. RAGLAND presented a bill to require western tobacco coming into the State to be inspected before it can be sold or offered for

PUNISHMENT OF PETIT LARCENY. Mr. HERNDON presented a bill to amend

and reënact the 27th section of chapter 195 of and forcing him to give them the benefit of refer to city officers so far as the point now the Code of 1873, in relation to the punishment of persons convicted of petit larceny exercise of a most solemn duty. What he a city judge elected by the Legislature. The like offence. Referred to the Committee for REJECTED.

officers. [This is a queer place for such a in relation to clerk's duty as to setting up lists of deeds recorded. Senate bill to amend an act entitled an act

to incorporate the Howard Association BEASSESSMENT. Senate bill providing for the reassessmen

of lands in this Commonwealth as required by the Constitution, was taken up. Mr. PRIDEMORE moved to indefinitely post Mr. Thomas moved to lay the bill on the

table and make it the order of the day for Tuesday; pending which, the Senate adourned. HOUSE OF DELEGATES.

House met at 11 A. M .- Speaker HANGER RESIGNATION OF JUDGE MAHOOD.

The SPEAKER laid before the House the resignation of A. Mahood, judge of the fourteenth judicial circuit, to take effect on the 1st day of April, 1874. Senate joint resolution extending the time

for the final settlement of the Treasurer of Richmond city with the Auditor of Public Accounts was read twice and placed on the calender, the rule requiring its reference to a committee having been suspended on motion of Mr. Dooley. The special order, Senate bill to provide

for the lease of the penitentiary, was postponed, on motion of Mr. NEELEY, until to

morrow. LEAVE OF ABSENCE was granted to Messrs. Beaton for one day,

BRADY four days, and Hoskins five days. THE GENERAL TAX BILL came up as the order of the day. On motion of Mr. Ould, the bill was

amended by providing that before a license shall be granted to any person to sell liquors by retail such person make oath before the clerk of the court, to be recorded in said court, that he will not, either directly or indirectly, sell any wine, ardent spirits, mait liquors, eider, or any mixture of any of them, on any election day, or on any Sunday, or to any minor, knowing him to be such, or to any other person for the use of a minor, knowing it to be for such use, without written permission of the parent or guardian of such minor.

The vote stood: Ayes, 55; noes, 43. Mr. STUART entered a motion to reconsider the vote by which the amendment was

Mr. Foster moved to lay the bill on the table, which was rejected-ayes, 12; noes, 85. On motion of Mr. CLARK, an amendment to the 108th section was adopted providing that no commission merchant shall sell by sample any hogshead or box of manufactured tobacco unless such hogshead or box offered for sale be deposited in some place in the city, town, or village where said tobacco is offered for sale.

Also, the following: All tobacco sold in violation of this provision shall be taxed \$2.50 for each hogshead or box weighing less than 1,500 pounds, and 10 cents per hundred sion merchant selling the same, and to be ascertained and collected by the collector of the city, town, or village where said tobacco

is sold. INTRODUCED AND REFERRED. Mr. Round offered a bill to authorize the

unty to the Old School P. the protection of fish in the middle Fork of Holton river, in Smith county. On motion of Mr. Monrague, the House adjourned at 3 P. M.

To the Editors of the Richmond Dispatch

Dear Sirs,-Permit me, through your valu-

able paper, to bring to the notice of the La-

gislature some very unjust and unequal tax-

PETERSBURG, March 29, 1874.

ation in the last act passed, and to express the hope that a change for the better will be made in the bill now before the Legislature. It seems to me that taxation ought to be equal, and I am rather inclined to the opinion that the Bill of Rights so declares. Let me point out as briefly as I can some few glaring cases of most unequal and therefore unjust taxation. To illustrate: B is a commission merchant, and receives during the year \$5,000 as commissions on produce sold Out of that sum be has to pay clerk hire store or office rent, and other expenses, and has, besides, to support himself and family, and at the close of the year he may not have \$500 left, and yet be has \$150 State taxes to pay, besides a license tax of \$35. In other THIS (WEDNESDAY) EVNING the beautiful words, he has a tax of \$150 to pay, when he may not have had over \$500 left of the \$5,000 that passed through his hands. Worse still than this: it may have been that by bad debts made by advancing, and after paying expenses and supporting his family, hat he did not have one cent of the \$5,000 left, and yet if he continues the business he must borrow \$150 to pay the State taxes (or else he cannot continue the business). Here, then, is the case of a party, having nothing then, is the case of a party, making the case of a party, left, paying \$150 State taxes, whereas C, By order.

By order.

mh 30-td* owning real estate which would bring \$5,000 pays only twenty-five dollars. Where is the ustice of taxing B \$150 on what passed through his hands during the year, and then taxing C only \$25 on real property worth five thousand dollars? Again: D. is a clerk living on a salary of \$2,000. Now, if he has a family of any size,

he must use (if living in a city) great econo my to make "both ends meet" at the end of the year, and if he can do that he is comparatively a happy man. Now he has to pay \$10 State taxes on his salary, whereas his neighbor (living next door, perhaps,) pays only \$10 tax on real estate that would bring readily \$2,000. There is no sort of justice in any such unequal taxation, as the one party is heavily taxed on what he may have had, and the other lightly on what he has visible and of value. here I will add my astonishmen that a leading body of merchants should have recommended the Legislature not to tax money loaned on real estate at six per cent. per annum. Why, if there are any two classes of citizens who should bear taxation they are the owners of real estate and persons having money to loan. They have the very property that ought in justice to pay taxes. The idea of a money-lender having no tax to pay on money loaned on real estate at six per cent., and yet compel another lender of money who might lend money on securities to pay a tax, would be a most outageous, unjust discrimination. The one who had undoubted security to pay no tax, and the other much less security the tax to pay. If such a law was passed what sort of chance would a party not possessed of real estate have to borrow money on the favored terms? None whatever. Such a "solution" of the interest law of Virginia, I trust, wil never find favor with the Legislature. M.

DEATHS.

Died, Mrs. ANN F. GARY, wife of Thomas Gary, in the 65th year of her, after a protracted liness of four years. The funeral will take place at 4 o'clock from the residence of her husband, No. 815 Second street.
The friends and acquaintances of the family are invited to attend without further notice.

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Died, at 2 P. M., March 30th, at the r bled, at 2 P. M., March Softh, at the residence her husband, Samuel Ayres, in this city, MARY F. AYRES, in the seventy-second year of her age. The friends of the family are respectfully requested to attend her funeral from Centenary church on WEDNESDAY, April 1st, at 11 A. M.

Died. on the 31st March, 1874, in Richmond Va., LILLA, youngest child of C. W. and L. R. Burr, axed one month and fitteen days. Her funeral will take place from her parents residence, 22 North Laurel street, TO-DAY (Wed. hesday) at 12 M. Friends of the family are respect-fully invited to attend.

Petersburg and Norfolk papers will please copy. Died in Augusta, Ga., on the 20th uitimo, after a very brief lilness, ELLA JACKSON, wife of Captain B. H. Smith, Jr., formerly of this city.

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By D. MOOR & Secretary.

VEMPER KAMPAION KLUB .- The meeting of the MERCHANDS ANIMECHAS.
CS BUILDING FUND AND TOAN ASSOCIAFION will be held at the office of Mr. C. L. Badway.
Frankila and Night streets, on THURSDAY, April

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE

I STOCKHOLDERS of the CITY FIRE IN-SURANCE COMPANY will be held at the office of the company on MONDAY the 6th day of April the company on MONDAY the did day of Aprile ext, at 6 o'clock P. M. E. B. MEADE, Secretary. MILITARY NOTICES.

TTUCKS GUARD .- You are hereby A ordered to meet at the Old Market Hall TO NIGHT, at 8 o'clock, for drill. Come prepared to pay dues. The law will be enforced on delinto pay dues. The law By order of the Cappaint quents and absentees. By order of the Cappaint quents and absentees. R. A. PAUL, Orderly Sergeant. AMUSEMENTS.

RICHMOND THEATRE. LAST NIGHT BUT THREE OF MARIETTA BAVEL.

JARTINE. MATINEE SATURDAY at 2 o'clock. In rehearsal WILD CAT. WEDNESDAY EVENING, April 8,

ap 1-1t* HUMPTY DUMPTY. RICHMOND TURN-VEREIN.-Practi Hall, No. 309 Seventh street. Scholars who wisk to join have to make application at the above place. By order. CHARLES SCHMIDT,

T ECTURE REV. W. M. MILBURN, "THE BLIND MAN ELOQUENT."

Subject: WHAT A BLIND MAN SAW IN ENGLAND. On FRIDAY EVENING, April 3d, at 8 o'clock in the Broad-Street Methodist church. Tickets, 50c .- for sale at the bookstores.

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200 barrels EXTRA and FINE FLOUR.
Also, a full assortment of REFINED SUGARS,
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